

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for alerting a manager of an outstanding task, comprising the steps
2 of:
 - 3 (a) maintaining a database of tasks;
 - 4 (b) determining a due date associated with the tasks;
 - 5 (c) monitoring a status of the tasks; and
 - 6 (d) generating alerts based on the due date and status of the tasks.
- 1 2. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the status provides an indication as
2 to whether documents associated with the tasks have been submitted to the
3 database.
- 1 3. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the alerts include electronic
2 message notifications transmitted utilizing a network.
- 1 4. The method as recited in claim 3, wherein the network includes the Internet.
- 1 5. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the alerts are transmitted to a
2 manager.
- 1 6. A computer program product for alerting a manager of an outstanding task,
2 comprising:
 - 3 (a) computer code for maintaining a database of tasks;
 - 4 (b) computer code for determining a due date associated with the tasks;
 - 5 (c) computer code for monitoring a status of the tasks; and
 - 6 (d) computer code for generating alerts based on the due date and status of the
7 tasks.

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- 1 7. The computer program product as recited in claim 6, wherein the status
2 provides an indication as to whether documents associated with the tasks
3 have been submitted to the database.
- 1 8. The computer program product as recited in claim 6, wherein the alerts
2 include electronic message notifications transmitted utilizing a network.
- 1 9. The computer program product as recited in claim 8, wherein the network
2 includes the Internet.
- 1 10. The computer program product as recited in claim 6, wherein the alerts are
2 transmitted to a manager.
- 1 11. A system for alerting a manager of an outstanding task, comprising:
2 (a) logic for maintaining a database of tasks;
3 (b) logic for determining a due date associated with the tasks;
4 (c) logic for monitoring a status of the tasks; and
5 (d) logic for generating alerts based on the due date and status of the tasks.
- 1 12. The system as recited in claim 11, wherein the status provides an indication
2 as to whether documents associated with the tasks have been submitted to the
3 database.
- 1 13. The system as recited in claim 11, wherein the alerts include electronic
2 message notifications transmitted utilizing a network.
- 1 14. The system as recited in claim 13, wherein the network includes the Internet.
- 1 15. The system as recited in claim 11, wherein the alerts are transmitted to a
2 manager.

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